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U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/892,500

Our Reference: HIR.039

Dear Examiner Suchecki:

Enclosed is an Amendment responsive to the July 31, 2003 Office Action, which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 31, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows: